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Benin, Brazil, Canada, Chile,* Haiti, Spain* and Trinidad and Tobago:* draft resolution

Ad Hoc Advisory Group on Haiti

The Economic and Social Council,

Recalling its resolutions 2004/52 of 23 July 2004, 2005/46 of 27 July 2005 and 2006/10 of 26 July 2006 and its decision 2004/332 of 11 November 2004,

1. *Takes note* of the report of the Ad Hoc Advisory Group on Haiti and of its recommendations contained therein;[1]

2. *Commends* the Government and people of Haiti on the political and economic evolution of the situation, and welcomes the support provided by the international community to this process;

3. *Notes* the progress made by the Government of Haiti in terms of gender equality, and also notes the importance of gender equality as a necessary dimension of any strategy for development;

4. *Also notes* that the preparation of a national poverty reduction strategy is advancing, and looks forward to continued support from donors, the United Nations system and the Bretton Woods institutions in connection with the future implementation of this strategy;

5. *Recognizes* the need for effective coordination between donors and the Haitian Government, including a standing consultation mechanism with the main non-governmental organizations active in Haiti;

6. *Decides* to extend the mandate of the Ad Hoc Advisory Group until the substantive session of the Economic and Social Council in July 2008, with the purpose of following closely and providing advice on Haiti's long-term development

* In accordance with rule 72 of the rules of procedure of the Economic and Social Council.
[1] E/2007/78.

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strategy to promote socio-economic recovery and stability, with particular attention to the need to ensure coherence and sustainability in international support for Haiti, based on the long-term national development priorities and building upon the Interim Cooperation Framework and the forthcoming poverty reduction strategy, and stressing the need to avoid overlap and duplication with respect to existing mechanisms;

7. *Expresses its satisfaction* to the Secretary-General for the support provided to the Ad Hoc Advisory Group, and requests him to continue to support the activities of the Group adequately from within existing resources, where possible;

8. *Requests* the Ad Hoc Advisory Group, in accomplishing its mandate, to continue to cooperate with the Secretary-General and his Special Representative in Haiti, the head of the United Nations Stabilization Mission in Haiti, the United Nations Development Group, relevant United Nations funds and programmes and the specialized agencies, the Bretton Woods institutions, regional organizations and institutions, including the Economic Commission for Latin America and the Caribbean, the Organization of American States and the Caribbean Community, the Inter-American Development Bank and other major stakeholders;

9. *Also requests* the Ad Hoc Advisory Group on Haiti to submit a report on its work, with recommendations, as appropriate, to the Economic and Social Council at its substantive session of 2008;

10. *Decides* that the work of the Ad Hoc Advisory Group will be reviewed at its substantive session of 2008, with a view to considering whether to continue its mandate, based on the Council's consideration of the report of the Advisory Group and the situation then prevailing in Haiti, with due account being taken of the activities of the entities of the United Nations system active in peacebuilding in Haiti.